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Another Romance Spoiled.

"Tell a good story and stick to it," is an old maxim that is illustrated in a story that is going the rounds along the Rialto. A certain well known actor floated into his home one morning about 2 o'clock. The wife of his bosom was waiting up for him. He told her he had been out all the evening with one of their friends, Charlie B., and then related an interesting fairy story of how Charlie had taken a crowd to supper, how funny Charlie had been all the evening, how well Charlie looked in his new suit, how he said this, that and the other. After telling a 15 minute story, to which the gentle partner of his joys and out of work periods listened with respectful attention, but cynical when he paused for breath. Then she, in a confident now I've got you one, said:

"That's a lovely romance you've been giving me, and I hate to spoil it, but Charlie has been here nearly all the evening waiting to see you about an engagement. He left only about half an hour ago."

The teller of the tale looked rather dazed for a moment as if he had been struck. Then quickly gathering himself together he assumed a bold front, with hands in his pockets, head thrown back and, in defiant innocence and emphasizing each word, said:

"Well, that's my story, and I'm not going to change it for anybody."—Clipper.

Army Jokes With a Moral.

"During the civil war," said an ex-army officer, "the authorities for some reason were anxious to move troops up the Tombigbee river. Word was sent to the engineer in that district asking what it would cost to run up the Tombigbee. That official got gay and reported that the Tombigbee ran down and not up, a joke that promptly landed his head in the basket, as the matter was serious.

"At the bombardment of Charleston it was extremely desirable to bring to bear on the city an extra heavy gun called by the men the Swamp Angel. The gun took its name from the swamp in which it stood, and to move it through that boggy morass was an engineering feat of extreme difficulty. However, the commanding officers were determined to have the gun brought within range of Charleston and issued orders to that effect. At the same time they sent word to the engineer having the matter in charge of requisition without regard to trouble or expense for anything necessary to accomplish the desired object. His first requisition called for men 26 feet 6 inches in height. Another officer promptly took the matter in charge, from which it can readily be deduced that it is not a paying investment to make jokes in the army at the expense of your superiors."—New York Tribune.

Millions of people are familiar with De Witt's Little Early Risers and those who use them find it to be famous little liver pills. Never give.

Temporary Passenger Station, 9th and Maryland Ave., S. W., Washington, D. C.—Southern Railway. Account Inauguration business commencing with train No. 30, morning of March 1st, trains 28, 16, 10, 14, 20, 22, 13, 15, 27, 29, 17 will arrive at 8 A. M. and depart from 9th street and Maryland Ave., S. W., up to and including train No. 29, March 5th.

Reduced Rates to Washington.

On account of the inauguration of President McKinley on March 4 the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets from all points on its lines to Washington at the rate of one fare for the round trip (minimum rate 50 cents). Tickets will be sold on March 1, 2 and 3, good to return until March 8, inclusive. Tickets will also be sold from Richmond and intermediate stations and from Philadelphia and intermediate stations on March 4.

Special side-trip tickets, limited to March 8, will be sold from Washington in connection with above-mentioned tickets as follows:

Old Point Comfort end return, via all-ai-lure, \$6; Richmond and return \$4.

Via Norfolk and Washington Steamboat Company: Old Point Comfort or Norfolk and return, \$3.50; Virginia Beach and return, including transfer through Norfolk, \$4.50.

From Baltimore, via Bay Line or Chesapeake Steamship Company: Norfolk or Old Point Comfort and return, \$3.50; Virginia Beach and return, including transfer through Norfolk, \$4.50.

Inauguration Day, Washington, D. C., March 4th.

For above occasion Southern Railway will sell tickets from entire territory in the South to Washington at one fare for the round trip; sale March 1st to 3rd inclusive, valid for return until March 9th, inclusive. From stations between Harrisonburg, Front Royal, Bluemont, Arrington and Washington, tickets will also be sold on March 4th, good to return until March 9th. Extra coaches will be attached to regular trains to provide ample facilities for all who may avail themselves of these low rates.

Summer Homes Folder.

Mr. S. H. Hardwick, General Passenger Agent of the Southern Railway, Washington, D. C., is sending out through the agencies blanks, so that all persons who desire to entertain boarders next summer may fill out the blanks and return, so that this information may be incorporated in Summer Homes Folder, which goes to press the first week in March. Please confer with local agents in regard to blanks at once.

OPENING AND CLOSING OFAILS

Northern mails, week days, close at 7:30 and 10:45 a. m. and 1:15, 2:50, 6:50 and 7:55 p. m. Open at 8:00 a. m., 12:00 m. and 4:30 p. m. On Sundays Northern mails close at 1:30 p. m. and 7:20 p. m.

Southern mails, via Charlottesville, close at 7:50 and 10:55 a. m. and 2:45 and 7:55 p. m. Open at 8:00 a. m. and 2:30 and 4:30 p. m.

Southern mails, via Richmond, close at 1:30 a. m. and 2:50 and 7:55 p. m. Open at 8:00 a. m., 12:00 m. and 3:00 and 4:30 p. m.

Manassas Division mails close at 7:50 a. m. and 3:30 p. m. Open at 8:00 a. m. and 3:00 and 4:30 p. m.

Washington mails close at 7:30 and 11:45 a. m. and 1:15, 2:50, 6:50 and 7:55 p. m. Open at 8:00 a. m., 12:00 m. and 3:00 and 4:30 p. m.

Office Hours—Open at 8:00 a. m. Close at 6:00 p. m.

Sunday Hours—Open at 9:00 a. m. Close at 3:00 p. m.

Couriers' Schedule—Collection, made on midis routes—8:30 and 10:00 a. m. and 3:00 and 5:30 p. m. Full route—6:30 a. m. and 5:30 p. m. Sunday collection, 3:00 p. m. Carriers' window open Sunday 9:00 a. m. and close 9:30 a. m.

Delivery made 8:00 a. m., 1:00 p. m. and 4:15 p. m.

All mail should be in office ten minutes before hour indicated for closing.

CANNED LOBSTER, fresh, just received by J. C. MILBURN.

RAILROADS.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

TRAIN LEAVE WASHINGTON.

STATION CORNER OF SIXTH AND E STREET.

Schedule in effect January 12, 1901.

Trains leave Alexandria:

12:25 A. M.—Daily—Local for Harrisonburg and for Charlottesville and way stations.

11:35 A. M.—Daily—U. S. Post Mail.

Sleeping cars to New Orleans, Columbus, Savannah and Jacksonville, uniting at Salisbury with sleeper for Asheville, Chattanooga and Memphis, and at Danville with sleeper for Birmingham. Sold train Washington to

7:45 A. M. Week days. PITTSBURG EXPRESS—Sleeping and Dining Cars, Harrisburg to Pittsburgh.

10:50 A. M. PENNSYLVANIA LIMITED.

Pullman Sleeping, Dining, Smoking and Observation Cars Harrisburg to Chicago, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis, Cleveland and Toledo. Buffet Parlor car to Harri-

burgh.

10:50 A. M. FAST LINE—Pullman Buffet Parlor car to Harrisburg. Buffet Parlor car Harrisburg to Pittsburgh.

3:30 P. M. CHICAGO AND LOUIS EXPRESS—Sleeping car Washington to St. Louis and Wayland and Wayland to Toledo, and Sleeping and Dining Car Harrisburg to Indianapolis, St. Louis, Louisville (via Cincinnati) and Chicago.

7:45 P. M. WESTERN EXPRESS—Pullman

Sleeping Cars to Pittsburgh and Chicago Dining car to Chicago.

7:45 P. M. CLEVELAND AND CINCINNATI EXPRESS—Pullman Sleeping Cars Wash-

ington to Pittsburgh and Harrisburg to Cleve-

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10:50 A. M. FAST LINE—Pullman Buffet

Parlor car to Harri-

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10:50 A. M. LOUISVILLE EXPRESS—Sleeping car Washington to St. Louis and Wayland and Wayland to Toledo, and Sleeping and Dining Car to Harri-

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10:50 A. M. DAY—Local for Front

Ford, Sunbury and Harrisburg.

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